

Put on a tricornered hat and play a role in one of America's greatest dramas, the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. In this fun and engaging interactive program that is suitable for all ages, "chat" with John Adams about the decision that he and his fellow delegates made to commit treason against the King of England by signing the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Fine tune your congressional correspondence by writing with a quill pen and protecting the privacy of the letter with sealing wax. Have your portrait taken in a tri-cornered hat affixing your signature to America's most famous document. Enjoy "the Pursuit of Happiness" by sampling period games and entertainments of the 18th Century.




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Don Hagg
Philip Livingston
Gran' Lewis
Lewis Morris
Wm Hooper
Edmund Randolph
John Adams
John Jay
Benjamin Franklin
George Washington
James Madison
James Monroe
John Quincy Adams
Andrew Jackson
Martin Van Buren
Millard Fillmore
Franklin Pierce
Abraham Lincoln
Andrew Johnson
Ulysses S. Grant
Rutherford B. Hayes
James A. Garfield
Chester A. Arthur
Grover Cleveland
Benjamin Harrison
William McKinley
Theodore Roosevelt
Woodrow Wilson
Franklin D. Roosevelt
Dwight D. Eisenhower
John F. Kennedy
Lyndon B. Johnson
Richard M. Nixon
Jimmy Carter
Ronald Reagan
George H.W. Bush
Bill Clinton
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Joe Biden
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If you have the “liberty” to stop at the White House Visitor Center on Tuesday, July 4, 2006, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. you may experience what it would be like to be a “Signer of the Declaration of Independence for a day” with the help of National Park Service rangers and volunteers from President’s Park. During this first of its kind full day of free programming, visitors of all ages will have the opportunity to sample some of the sights, sounds, activities, and personages that helped to form the United States of America on July 4, 1776. The day’s events will include games, crafts and other activities for both children and adults.

A Signature Event, scheduled at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. will be a one of a kind chance to don a tricornered hat and play a role in one of this nation’s greatest dramas, the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. In this fun and engaging interactive program that is suitable for all ages, members of the audience will actually assume the roles of delegates to the Continental Congress and represent their colonies in a debate that will determine the fate of a nation! After the debate each delegate signs with a quill pen his or her name to a giant sized copy of the document, receives a facsimile of period currency from their respective colony, rings a Liberty Bell, and receives a copy of the Declaration of Independence to keep as a memorial to their great efforts in the service of their nation!



Congressional Portrait Opportunity 9:00am-3:00pm
Have your photo taken signing America's most important document

A Public Audience with John Adams 9:30am & 12:30pm
A chance to hear why this future U.S. President risked his life, fortune, and sacred honor for the cause of liberty in 1776

"The Pursuit of Happiness" 9:05am-11:00am
A Round Robin Tournament of 18th Century Games

"Freedom's Flame" 9:05am-3:30pm
Enjoy the appeal of a bygone era by rolling your own beeswax candle

Congressional Correspondence 9:05am-3:30pm
Test your writing skills with a quill pen

"A Signature Event" 11:00am & 2:00pm
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(Program Duration: 60 Minutes, Space is limited)